

5. Cancel in this application original claim(s) 1-21 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)
6. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

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--This application is a divisional of application Ser. No. 09/729,332, filed December 4, 2000, which applications is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety.--

- 7a. New formal drawings are enclosed.

- 7b. Priority of application Serial No(s).:

____ application Serial No. ____ filed ____ and
____ application Serial No. ____ filed ____ is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119.

- 7c. The certified copy of the priority application was filed in prior application Serial No. ___, filed ____.

8. The prior application is assigned of record to: Beckman Coulter, Inc..

9. The Declaration filed in the prior application is enclosed.

10. The power of attorney in the prior application is as listed on the attached Power of Attorney or Authorization of Agent filed in the parent application.

- a. The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.

- b. Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.

- c. Address all future communications to:

Beckman Coulter, Inc.
4300 N. Harbor Boulevard
P.O. Box 3100
Fullerton, CA 92834-3100
Telephone: (714) 871-4848
Facsimile: (714) 773-7936

- d. An Associate Power of Attorney filed in the prior application is enclosed.

11. A preliminary amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by this amendment have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.)

12. Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

- Applicant no longer claims small entity status.